

BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE



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COLONEL CHRISTOPHER HARRIS

Colonel Christopher Harris is currently serving as the United States Forces Korea (USFK) Assistant Chief of Staff, J1. In that capacity, he leads a joint team of 37 responsible to the commander, USFK, for all manpower, personnel, and quality of life policies and programs for over 48,000 personnel and their families. Additionally, he serves as the Combined Forces Command and United Nations Command Deputy C1 and U1 respectively and responsible for command and personnel support to 529 United States, Republic of Korea, and 17 Sending State personnel.

Col Harris received his commission from the United States Air Force Academy in 1994. His assignments also include operational duty supporting mobility wings, a fighter wing, a technical training wing and the United States Air Force Academy. He has commanded garrison and expeditionary Services Squadrons and served as Director of Manpower, Personnel, and Services, US Air Forces Central Command, Al Udeid AB, Qatar. His staff tours include facilitating security cooperation with partner nations in Europe and managing force sustainment programs and officer career development for Air Combat Command. He has deployed in support of Operations ALLIED FORCE, IRAQI FREEDOM and ENDURING FREEDOM. Prior to his current position, he was the Commander of the 17th Mission Support Group, Goodfellow AFB,

EDUCATION

- 1994 Bachelor of Science in English, US Air Force Academy, Colo
- 1999 BDE, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala
- 2002 Master of Arts; Hotel, Restaurant, and Travel Administration; University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Mass
- 2004 Air Command and Staff College Correspondence Course
- 2007 Distinguished Graduate, Air Command and Staff College Residence Program (IDE), Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala
- 2007 Master of Military Operational Art and Science, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala
- 2011 NATO Defense College Senior Course (SDE), Rome, Italy
- 2012 NATO Regional Cooperation Course, NATO Defense College, Rome, Italy
- 2016 Joint Professional Military Education II, Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va

ASSIGNMENTS

- 1. 1994-1995, Business Operations Officer, 305th Services Squadron, McGuire Air Force Base, NJ
- 2. 1995-1996, Officer In Charge, Lodging, 305th Services Squadron, McGuire AFB, NJ
- 3. 1996-1998, Executive Officer, 305th Support Group, McGuire AFB, NJ
- 4. 1998-1999. Commander, Resource Management Flight, Aviano Air Base, Italy
- 5. 1999-2000, Commander, Combat Support Flight, Aviano AB, Italy
- 2000-2001, Air Force Institute of Technology Civilian Institution Program, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Mass
- 7. 2002-2004, Deputy Director, 10th Services Division, USAF Academy, Colo
- 8. 2004-2006, Commander, 100th Services Squadron, RAF Mildenhall, Suffolk, England
- 9. 2006-2007, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala
- 2007-2008, Chief, Force Sustainment Branch, Directorate of Manpower, Personnel and Services, Air Combat Command, Langley AFB, Va
- 11. 2008-2009, Chief, Strategic Plans, Directorate of Manpower, Personnel and Services, Air Combat Command Langley AFB, Va
- 12. 2009-2009, Chief, Promotions Branch, Directorate of Manpower, Personnel and Services, Air Combat Command, Langley AFB, Va

- 13. 2009-2010, Chief, Director's Action Group, Directorate of Manpower, Personnel and Services, Air Combat Command, Langley AFB, Va
- 14. 2010-2011, Director, Manpower, Personnel and Services, United States Air Forces Central Command, Al Udeid AB, Qatar
- 15. 2011-2012, Student, NATO Defense College, Rome, Italy
- 16. 2012-2014, Chief, Personnel Branch, ODC Support Division, Directorate of Policy, Strategy, Partnering and Capabilities, United States European Command
- 17. 2014-2015, Chief, ODC Support Division, Directorate of Policy, Strategy, Partnering and Capabilities, United States European Command
- 18. 2015 to 2017, Commander, 17th Mission Support Group, Goodfellow AFB, Texas
- 19. 2017 to present, Assistant Chief of Staff/J1, US Forces Korea, USAG Yongsan, Korea

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Superior Service Medal Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with 3 oak leaf clusters Joint Service Commendation Medal Air Force Commendation Medal with 2 oak leaf clusters Air Force Achievement Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant June 1994 First Lieutenant June 1996 Captain June 1998 Major September 2004 Lieutenant Colonel March 2009 Colonel June 2015

(Current as of June 2017)